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## Palooza's popularity is back

### *Largest crowd attendance in years*

By Elizabeth Austin  
Staff Reporter

"Palooza is back!" Ashley Slemple yelled to crowd on April 24 at SWOSUPalooza. And it indeed was.

This year's SWOSUPalooza 9 created a lot of hype, claiming to be bigger and better than last year and years before. It lived up to the Student Government Association's expectations.

There was something for everyone—from rock, to rap/r&b, to some good old red dirt country. As the night went on, the crowd kept growing until much of the football practice field was full.

Southwestern student Garret Clark claimed that "Palooza this year was really awesome. I enjoyed last year's, but this year's was amazing."

According to Jon Jackson, "They put on a really great live show."

As for the two headliners, Meant2B and No Justice, hundreds of fans came out. After a bit of technical difficulty, Meant2B put on a great show with dancing and singing. No Justice did the same and even had some of the crowd two-stepping.

Students were excited about SWOSUPalooza 9, and look forward to see what next year's SWOSUPalooza 10 will have in store for them.



(Photos by Bigyan Koirala)

## Graduates' big day approaches

By Telisa Tillman  
Staff Reporter

Kinley Jones is like many others preparing for graduation this May. The Fine Arts major from Weatherford has plans to move in with her boyfriend in Texas and get residency to go to graduate school.

"I'm going to take a year off, then do three years of grad school."

While ecstatic about wrapping up her four years at Southwestern, Jones realizes that some things will have to change as she makes the transition from college life to life in the "real world."

"Instead of sleeping in and skipping class, I have to actually get up and go to work—do a 9 to 5."

While figuring out what's going to happen after graduation, students also need to be aware of what needs to be done to graduate.

In order to graduate, students must have completed all of the requirements for their degree. They must also make sure to fill out an application for graduation, so that a grad check can be done to ensure that students have

all of their requirements fulfilled and are able to graduate at the desired time.

Convocation is May 10 at 10 a.m. in Milam Stadium. Graduating students should be on the football field by 9:30.

Graduates should show up dressed in their caps and gowns. Tassels should be on the right side of their caps—they will be moved to the left upon receipt of the diploma. They should dress comfortably, yet nice, meaning no jeans. They should also keep hot weather in mind when deciding on an outfit.

Joyce Tegtmeyer, a graduation and eligibility clerk, suggests that ladies do not wear spiked heels because it will be hard to walk in on the football field.

Those graduating this fall may also choose to walk, but will not receive an official diploma until all requirements have been completed.

Graduates should have their name card and Blunck's photo card with them. A Blunck's photographer takes pictures at the ceremony of students

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Joining the fight against cancer. Students battle in a contest at Relay for Life Saturday. (Photo by Bigyan Koirala)

## Relay for Life raises 84k

By Ashley Slemple  
Staff Reporter

Last Friday, Custer County held its annual Relay for Life walkathon. Relay for Life raises money for cancer research.

The event was held in the SWOSU Wellness Center and went from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. The object is to have a member from each team walking around the track at all times. This year, there were over 50 team that participated. Many fundraisers were held throughout the night that helped reach this year's goal including: The bachelor auction, Mr. Relay, and a basket auction. Also, teams sold t-shirts and food, and hosted video game tournaments to raise money.

Several activities went on throughout the night

keeping people entertained. Some of these events were the frozen t-shirt contest, fear factor, and tug-of-war.

"Relay went really well this year. It definitely exceeded our expectations," said Committee Co-Chair Cashlie Hines.

According to Hines, this year's goal for Custer County was \$68,000. The total amount raised was \$84,500.

Luminaries were lit at one point in the night to remember those who lost their lives to cancer and to honor those who have survived it. The luminaries were placed all around the track with a name on each bag. The lights were turned out and names were read one at a time. A

*See Relay, pg. 2*

## Cafeteria will be remodeled this summer

By Philip Hunsicker  
Staff Reporter

The cafeteria is getting a makeover.

According to Duncan Taylor, director of auxiliary services, the cafeteria will undergo an overhaul at the end of the semester.

"School cafeterias have been following a trend," Taylor said.

More schools have been putting self-serve buffets in their

cafeterias. The Southwestern cafeteria will serve different food in the self-serve buffet every day, but will keep some things that are regular favorites. This will give students more options. They can get larger portions for the same price, which is always the preference among college students.

As for the appearance of the cafeteria, it will be changing too. It is getting completely remodeled.

"[There will be] new carpet, new flooring, new chairs and tables," Taylor said. "And it shouldn't cause any interruption for the camps this summer."

## City plans activity-filled wellness walk

An Amazing Walk is planned May 3 by the City of Weatherford Parks and Recreation Department.

Patti Harper, co-chair of the Weatherford walking program and an employee at SWOSU, said the walk will begin at 9 a.m. at Means Park.

"This is more than a walk in the park," Harper said. "This is a walk with fun activities along the way."

Such activities will include swinging in the park, hitting a croquet ball, spinning hula hoops and more. Teams of two to four people can participate in the non-competitive, non-timed fun walk. The walk is for people of all ages, but youth under 16 must have parent/guardian consent.

The walk, approximately 1.5 miles, will start at Means Park, continue to

Southwestern, and then back to Means Park. There will be a grand prize for the winning team.

Registration and check-in for the free event starts at 8:30 a.m. at the Gazebo in the middle of Means Park, located at the intersection of Huber and Indiana streets. Pre-registration sites include the Parks and Recreation Department (City Hall, 522 West Rainey), the Wellness Center and the Weatherford Regional Hospital. The brochure with the registration form can be downloaded from the walking website at [www.cityofweatherford.com](http://www.cityofweatherford.com) (click on Walking for Wellness).

The Walking for Wellness Program, a free community-wide walking program, was established to raise awareness and community involvement for

everybody in the Weatherford community: individuals, families, schools, churches, businesses, etc. With the support of volunteer committee members, community partners and numerous participants, the walking program continues to take positive strides toward encouraging a healthy lifestyle through fun and fitness in Weatherford.

For more information about the Walking for Wellness program or the Amazing Walk, please visit the website, contact the City of Weatherford Parks and Recreation Department (580-774-2450 or City Hall, 522 W. Rainey, Weatherford, OK, 73096), email [walkinginfo@swosu.edu](mailto:walkinginfo@swosu.edu) or contact one of the program committee members, including Patti Harper (580-774-3190) or Vicki Hatton (580-774-3181).



## Harris and Lamar inducted to Alumni Hall of Fame

Brice W. Harris and Walter E. Lamar are being inducted into Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame.

Harris is Chancellor of the Los Rios Community College District in Sacramento, CA, while Lamar is president and CEO of Lamar Associates, which is a Washington, D.C., based professional services firm offering consulting services in law enforcement and security.

Both Harris and Lamar will be honored at the May 10 SWOSU Convocation on the Weatherford campus and will be the featured speakers. The ceremony begins at 10 a.m. at Milam Stadium on campus.

Brice W. Harris heads up Los Rios, which is one of the largest multi-college districts in America.

Harris was previously the president of Fresno City College in Fresno (CA) and a

faculty member and vice chancellor in the Kansas City, Missouri community college system.

Also an active member of the greater Sacramento business community, Harris is a past chair of the Board of the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and current chair of the Board of the Northern California World Trade Center. He is a member of the Editorial Board of Comstock's Magazine, the Board of Linking Education and Economic Development Sacramento (LEED) and the Sacramento Area Commerce and Trade Organization (SACTO).

Harris is a winner of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education Steuben Apple for excellence in conference teaching. He is a consultant and lecturer on communications, enrollment management and higher education marketing. He

has taught communications, published a number of articles, and is active in the arts.

Walter E. Lamar served many years as a special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation in San Diego, San Francisco and Oklahoma City where his primary assignment was the investigation of violent crimes.

Highlights of his FBI career include serving six months in Seattle investigating the Green River Murder case, being deployed as a member of SWAT to the standoff in Waco, Texas, and three years later responding to the bombing of the A.P. Murrah Federal Building. He was awarded the prestigious FBI Shield of Bravery.

Lamar later earned another FBI Shield of Bravery for his actions under fire, making him only one of two agents in the history of the FBI to be so awarded.

Lamar was also recognized by the American Indian Exposition in Anadarko as "Indian of the Year" in recognition of lifetime achievement.

While serving as an FBI supervisory special agent, Lamar was recruited to be the Deputy Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs law enforcement program. He was called into Washington, D.C. immediately after the September 11 terrorist attack where he assisted the Department. For that effort, he received a special commendation from the Secretary of the Interior.

Lamar retired from federal law enforcement nearly three years ago and formed Lamar Associates. He also recently founded Mountain Chief Institute—A Center for Tribal Excellence, which is a recognized not-for-profit organization dedicated to creating solutions for Indian Country issues.

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### Relay \_\_\_\_\_ from pg. 1

prayer was given and a moment of silence was observed.

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Relay For Life is a life changing event that brings together more than 3.5 million people. Money is raised to benefit The American Cancer Society (ACS). The ACS is

a nationwide, community-based voluntary health organization. With chartered divisions throughout the country and over 3,400 local offices, the American Cancer Society (ACS) is committed to fighting cancer through balanced programs of research, education, patient service, advocacy, and rehabilitation.

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## Shopping mall is coming to Weatherford

By Philip Hunsicker  
Staff Reporter

For years, students have spread rumors that Super Wal-Mart was coming to Weatherford. They have also spread rumors about a new theatre next to the Wal-mart.

This time the rumors about Wal-mart are true.

"The Super Wal-Mart will be up in July of this year," said Bill Shonley, Economic Development Director for Weatherford.

The theater may be a subsequent project. A shopping mall area will take up 83 acres. Twenty of these acres will be for the Super Wal-Mart.

According to Shonley, the new Wal-mart is going to be the first of its kind. He explained that Wal-mart is changing the architecture and atmo-

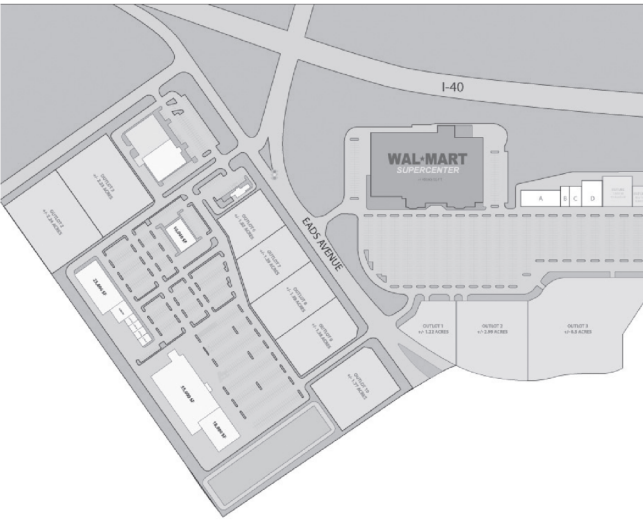
sphere of their build-ings.

The new develop-ment will be located off Eagle Road, which will be widened to four lanes. The area is lo-cated south of Interstate 40.

Shonley said the mall area and Wal-mart should boost Weath-erford's economy and bring in more restau-rants and banks.

The new Wal-mart will have twice the number of workers than the current Wal-mart.

The remaining 63 acres will be de-veloped by Sandor Development. For



A sketch of the new Wal-mart, which will open in July of this year. (Photo provided)

more information about this or to find out about leasing property, check out sandordev.com.

## Graduation *from pg. 1*

receiving their diploma. If students wish to get copies, they need to give their photo card to the photographer.

Fall 2007 and Spring 2008 graduates may pick up their official diplomas in the Registrar's Office in room 108 of the Administration Building. The office will be open un-til 2 p.m. that day, but students may return at any time in the school week to pick it up.

If it rains or in a case of other inclement weather, convocation exercises will be broken into four exercises. Each exercise corresponds with a colored ticket included in the graduation letter sent to students.

In case of bad weather, in the Fine Arts Center, the College of Pharmacy (yellow ticket) will be held at 10 and College of Arts and Sciences (blue ticket) will be held at 11:45. In the Rankin Williams Field House, School of Behavioral Sciences and Education, Allied Health, and Nursing (red ticket) will be held at 1:30 and School of Business and Technology and Master's degrees (tan ticket) will be held at 3:15. Each student will be allowed to bring up to six guests, each of which will have to show a ticket (enclosed in the graduation letter) to gain entry to the convocation.

## Cheyenne Arapaho Tribal College focuses on raising student enrollment numbers

At the April 7 weekly meeting of Lets Talk about CATC conducted over IETV, discussion focused upon student enrollment. Although the number of 30 full-time and 60 part-time students represents a steady but slow increase, CATC and Southwestern staff will undertake an aggressive recruitment campaign. Consequently, secondary school visits are to be intensified between now and the end of the school year. This effort will be complemented by a one to one mentoring program for tribal students with staff from the tribal department of education serving as mentors.

In addition, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Department of Education, Southwestern, and CATC are sponsoring a Western Oklahoma Johnson-O'Malley (JOM) conference at the SWOSU Memorial Student Union, Upper Lounge from 9:00am-4:00pm on April 28, 2008. The purpose is to strengthen JOM parent involvement and provide

information that will assist them in better preparing their children for college. Joy Martin, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Oklahoma Area Education Line Officer will be a featured speaker. Among the topics that will be addressed are college recruitment, graduation rates, financial aid, and parental involvement. There also will be a Cultural Sensitivity 101 round table discussion intended to bolster cultural competency.

The tribal college president will focus on public relations aimed at raising awareness of the college in Cheyenne and Arapaho communities and in Western Oklahoma. The president is scheduled to speak at the Tribal Head Start Graduation Ceremony at Concho on May 13, 2008. A CATC poster is to be distributed for posting at schools, tribal government offices, and other strategic locations. President Mann taped a public service announcement and a short recruitment video on the college at the Media De-

partment of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Department that will air on local cable. Within the next academic year, CATC also will create a President's Leadership Class similar to the one at SWOSU aimed at cultivating the next generation of leaders.

On April 11-15 the tribal college president participated as one of four American Indians, who in the Pacific Northwest Coast Salish traditions, were called to witness the *Seeds of Compassion* Gathering of His Holiness the 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai Lama in Seattle. The Dalai Lama had requested a meeting with leaders of this country's indigenous population, which took place at Qwest Field after the main event on the opening day of his visit. The Dalai Lama was greeted by several hundred native people and was given gifts of song, dance, staff, drum, stole, cedar hat, and a southern Plains Indian beaded pen. The event was attended by 55,000 people. He subsequently met with 15,000 of

the State of Washington's school children in Seattle Center and the next day he appeared on a panel with Desmond Tutu, other inter-faith leaders, and young people. The purpose of the gathering was to initiate dialog about planting "seeds of compassion" in the younger generations and produce more compassionate human beings.

CATC and Southwestern staff are to attend the 2008 Sovereignty Symposium which provides a forum for exchanging ideas concerning common legal issues. Lawrence Hart, Chair of the CATC Board of Regents and traditional Cheyenne Peace Chief, is to do the invocation on the afternoon of Wednesday, June 4, 2008. CATC President Mann has been invited to serve on the panel "Language and Cultural Preservation." Gordon Yellowman, traditional Cheyenne Peace Chief, Director of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Culture and Heritage Program, and CATC faculty member also will sit on the panel.

## SCHEDULED FOR THIS WEEK...

**Wednesday, April 30, 2008**

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Oklahoma Breastcare Mobile Unit on Campus  
8:45 AM - 12:00 PM New Employee Orientation  
12:00 PM Noonday at BCM  
5:30 PM - 6:15 PM MidWeek Miracle  
6:15 PM - 7:30 PM Wednesday Night Worship

**Thursday, May 01, 2008**

Final Exams  
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Oklahoma Breastcare Mobile Unit on Campus  
8:45 AM - 12:00 PM New Employee Orientation

**Friday, May 02, 2008**

Final Exams  
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Oklahoma Breastcare Mobile Unit on Campus  
6:30 PM - 10:00 PM Chemistry Department Annual Banquet

**Saturday, May 03, 2008**

Baseball at Lone Star Conference Tournament  
8:30 AM Walking for Wellness Program's Amazing Walk  
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Physics Club Shish-Kebab Dinner  
7:15 PM - 9:30 PM Kendi's School of Dance Recital

**Sunday, May 04, 2008**

Baseball at Lone Star Conference Tournament  
NCURA Regional Conference

**Monday, May 05, 2008**

Baseball at Lone Star Conference Tournament  
Final Exams  
NCURA Regional Conference  
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Men's Golf @ NCAA Division II Regional  
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Executive Council Meeting  
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Administrative Council Meeting  
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Let's Talk About SWOSU  
5:15 PM - 6:15 PM CE Activity - Line Dancing  
8:00 PM - 9:15 PM Campus Crusade for Christ (CRU)

**Tuesday, May 06, 2008**

Baseball at Lone Star Conference Tournament  
Final Exams  
NCURA Regional Conference  
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Men's Golf @ NCAA Division II Regional  
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Allegiance Credit Union on Campus  
11:30 AM - 1:15 PM Free Tuesday Lunch  
7:00 PM - 7:30 PM Bulldog TV  
8:00 PM Chi Alpha Meeting

**Wednesday, May 07, 2008**

Final Exams  
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Men's Golf @ NCAA Division II Regional  
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM ACT Residual  
5:30 PM - 6:15 PM MidWeek Miracle  
6:15 PM - 7:30 PM Wednesday Night Worship

**Thursday, May 08, 2008**

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Nursing Jr. Orientation  
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Community Coffee at Sterling House Assisted Living  
12:00 PM Final Grades Due

**Friday, May 09, 2008**

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Nursing Senior Reception  
1:00 PM - 3:30 PM School of Nursing Pinning Ceremony  
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Allied Health Senior Reception  
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Pharmacy Graduate Recognition

**Saturday, May 10, 2008**

8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Commencement Informal Coffee  
9:45 AM Faculty Assembly  
10:00 AM SWOSU Convocation



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## Once a bulldog, always a bulldog

Four years in the publication, I am finally stepping down as the editor for *The Southwestern*, a newspaper that is very dear and near to my life. I assure you, better and more ambitious people will follow.

I knew since day one that I was going to be in the hands of good people before I came to Southwestern. I remember that week in August 2004. I was talking late at night to the registrar and he was explaining me the procedures. He faxed all papers I needed in a split second when I requested them and helped me get here.

That was 13,000 miles the other side of the world. I knew then—*these people in America know how to do things fast and I gotta learn the same.*

I started work the second day I got here, washing dishes at the cafeteria. My first paycheck was \$385. God, I had never made that much money in life. I was rich.

My life at Southwestern has become pretty smooth, and I hope there are some huge bumps along the way.

This is my last editorial piece I am writing and it does not originate from the stuff happening around campus. It rather is more of the reflections of my time spent in front of the skeleton computers at Campbell.

I spent way too many hours between these computers this past few years, I cannot stop not thanking them. I have always thought maybe they need to beef up, get some meat on their bones. We always needed more disk space because of the amount of work my newspaper crew

did, and my crew with Bulldog Television Network did.

And I am also thankful to the members of the team and the advisor for letting me be a part of this. I couldn't have done it without you all. Thank you again. And my co-workers and advisor at The Southwestern, you all are great. I will always cherish the memories of working with you.

Here at the newspaper, like any newspaper in the world, we get hate letters. These are mostly from the same person, who remain anonymous. I wonder why they don't have the guts to speak their mind, with their names attached to the letters.

We covered stories that I am proud of now when I look back into the archives – the Yeagley debate that sparked racial controversy on campus. It was a protest—though small—that Southwestern had not seen in years. I am proud our newspaper is a part of campus that reports events the way it happened, no exaggerations.

I remember the days people were criticizing us about all we reported. We even got suing threats. The campus was never the same again. I am glad we got the campus involved. We have tried to stay neutral for the most part. Sorry if I ticked someone along the way, we just did our part.

I give a pat on the back to those reporters and opinion piece writers who are learning the basics already—freedom of opinion and press. That will take them

long ways in life. I am proud of them who left a legacy in this paper.

I cannot say I did everything right, but I definitely did not too much wrong either. I have shown up late at work at times, and at times, not at all. But the most important lesson I learned was to keep up with the deadline. And the newspaper job has taught me all.

I cherish all other wonderful memories of my time here, the dilemma of whether or not to give a little steak to an administrator or whether or not to publish a letter to the editor sent by a group of students who wanted a professor to resign. It was a tough call. And I certainly cherish the smiling faces at the Administration Building, always so eager to help, always fast. You guys make attending Southwestern worthwhile.

And how could I ever forget the help from the Dean's office, who have helped us all along the way, from the New York trip to all other fundraisers. The energy that surrounds that office is amazing.

It would be very unfair for me not to thank the wonderful ladies at the cafeteria with whom I spent my entire four years. We are so close now, some I even call "Mom." They are my biggest inspiration of team spirit and work ethic. There is as much I learned from them as much as I did from my professors. Thank you Sweethearts. I could not have said it any better without letting the world know, "You guys are fantastic." I only wish students did not waste as much food as they



do.

In my four years in Southwestern (Gosh that's a long time), I had the opportunity of meeting the most wonderful professors and student contemporaries. I am thankful to them for giving me more than what I could ever give them and teach me so much.

I am very thankful to them who do their part, without seeking the benefits. The school as a whole has been so generous and uplifting, I am proud to say '*Once a bulldog, always a bulldog.*'

- Bigyan Koirala

## Are we criminals?

Many artists are struggling to profit from their music anymore; With CDs going out of date and MP3 players coming in, illegal downloading of music is growing faster than ever.

Illegal downloading is downloading copyrighted music from the internet without paying for it. The most common way to illegally download music is through a peer-to-peer (P2P) network. There are many peer-to-peer networks available, such as KaZaa, Limewire or Grokster. Another way of music piracy is to copy music onto CDs using a home CD burner to exchange music with friends. This is considered illegal because the people who copyrighted it are not making money from it.

Downloading music has huge effects on

the music industry. Mitch Bainwol, chairman of the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA), said, "At any given time, 3 to 5 million people are on the internet, downloading music and violating copyright law" (qtd. in Greenblatt 1.) "Sales have dropped from \$15 billion to \$11 billion in the last four years," said Bainwol.

Rap artist LL Cool J explained how he and other artists felt, "Do people in the entertainment industry have the same rights as other Americans to get fair pay for their work? If a contractor builds a building, should people be able to move into it for free, just because he is successful?"

Legally or morally, there is no difference in illegally downloading an album and walking into a CD store and stealing one. This makes


it difficult for musicians to make a living, which is causing them to not be able to make music. It may seem to music fans that artists make a great deal of money from their sales, and some do, but all musicians suffer when people do not buy their albums. Indie artists and those looking to get signed suffer more than the rest. When artists do not make a profit on the sales of their albums, they usually cannot afford to keep making music for a living.

Music downloading also hurts the record labels. A record label cannot sign a new band to their label if they are not making enough money from the bands that they already represent. When music is downloaded record labels do not make enough money to sign new artists. The loss of profit on the music

cripples current and future artists. The record labels are no longer in control of profits they were making by selling CDs.

The music industry is still trying to play catch-up with the new format of music, from albums to MP3's. Whether it is done legally or not, music fans have moved on from CDs. To accommodate the changing music business Apple created iTunes Music Store, and other companies have followed suit. These new companies and networks allow a fast, easy, and legal way to download music and at album quality, unlike many illegal downloaded versions of songs.

-Philip Hunsicker



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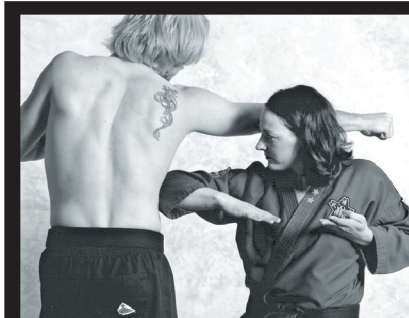
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## This Week in History

- **April 30, 1006** - Supernova SN 1006, the brightest supernova in recorded history, appears in the constellation Lupus.

- **May 1, 1978** - The first unsolicited bulk commercial e-mail (later known as "spam") is sent by a DEC marketing representative to every ARPANET address on the west coast of the U.S.

- **May 2, 1955** - Tennessee Williams wins the Pulitzer Prize for Drama for *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*.

- **May 3, 1956** - The judo World Championships are first held.

- **May 4, 1946** - In San Francisco Bay, US Marines from the Treasure Island Marine Barracks stop a two-day riot at Alcatraz federal prison. Five people are killed in the riot.

- **May 5, 1809** - Mary Kies becomes the first woman awarded a U.S. patent, for a technique of weaving straw with silk and thread.

- **May 6, 1889** - The Eiffel Tower is officially opened to the public at the Universal Exposition in Paris.

## Students and faculty share memories of the Old Science Auditorium stage

By **Jamie King**  
Staff Reporter

The Old Science Building is Southwestern's oldest structure. It was built in 1909 at the cost of \$100,000. Almost a century of students have walked through its halls and classrooms.

Since 1911, the Old Science Auditorium stage has been the host of countless theatrical performances by Southwestern students. The completion of the blackbox theatre will mark the end of a long relationship between the Theatre Department and the Old Science Auditorium.

"It's bittersweet losing this space, but now we have the opportunity to use quality equipment and not have to deal with the creaks of the Old Science," said Tiffany Tuggle, a junior theatre major.

Jess Moore, also a junior theatre major, said that he is excited to have the chance to work with new technology for sound and lighting. Moore has designed sound for several performances this year, most recently *Daddy's Dyin'*, *Who's Got the Will?*

Eddie Gonzales graduated last year and is now serving as the adjunct technical director.

"It is always nice to get an upgrade. However there is that strong sentimental attachment that comes with being in a space for so long," Gonzales said. "You learn the trials and tribulations that one has to go through to make a show happen in this particular space."

Many memories have been created in the Old Science Auditorium. Some are sad, some are funny and some are also scary. In the past, freshmen theatre majors have heard stories from older students about the ghost or ghosts that roam the auditorium. Many seem to have experienced this phenomenon.

"Every once in a while there will be this sound that comes through the house. It sounds like a train horn or whistle," said Randi Wallace, a senior theatre major. "No one will be in the sound booth, and it will be shut down. If you go to look outside, nothing is there to make that noise. I am not afraid to be in there by myself as long as the lights are on."

One of Gonzales' experiences



The Old Science Auditorium sits empty right before the last performance last weekend. All productions will be held in the new blackbox theatre.

with the ghost was when he was a student working late one night on lights in the booth.

"I was up in the booth, and all of a sudden, I started to hear a bunch of noise from the back of the theatre—not just the normal creaks and cracks that a building makes. No, it was footsteps and other types of noises. At that moment, I decided I was finished with my work and figured it could wait until the next day."

There have been many laughs what with the accidents and even pranks backstage. One accident in particular that never fails to get a giggle was during *Fuddy Meers*.

The leading actress fell during the curtain call in one of the performances. One of the crewmembers was sitting backstage wearing a headset. When the actress fell, everyone wearing a headset heard in a military-esque voice, "Actor down. I repeat. Actor is down."

Steve Strickler has been directing shows in the Old Science Auditorium

for 16 years.

Strickler said that his best memory was his wedding that was held in the Old Science Auditorium. He went on to tell a funny story that stuck out in his mind.

"The very first production I directed on that stage was *Crimes of the Heart*. During one of the performances, a bed completely collapsed under three actresses sitting on it. The audience finally got control after laughing uproariously and then a fourth actress walked into the scene and for some crazy reason, decided to "cover" for the collapse. Well that just sent the audience over the edge.

"Each production has its own set of memories," Strickler said. "I always get sad at the last performance of each school year when our seniors have their "last" performance on the SWOSU stage.

"We spend a lot of time together; so when we do that final production, it's like losing a big piece of yourself."

## BULLDOG BITES

Readers may submit recipes to be published to [thesouthwestern@swosu.edu](mailto:thesouthwestern@swosu.edu).

### Spicy Bean Salsa

from [allrecipes.com](http://allrecipes.com)

- \* 1 (15 oz.) can black-eyed peas
- \* 1 (15 oz.) can black beans, rinsed and drained
- \* 1 (15 oz.) can whole kernel corn, drained
- \* 1/2 cup chopped onion
- \* 1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper
- \* 1 (4 oz.) can diced jalapeno peppers
- \* 1 (14.5 oz.) can diced tomatoes, drained
- \* 1 cup Italian-style salad dressing
- \* 1/2 tsp. garlic salt

In a medium bowl, combine black-eyed peas, black beans, corn, onion, green bell pepper, jalapeno peppers and tomatoes. Season with Italian-style salad dressing and garlic salt; mix well. Cover and refrigerate overnight to blend flavors.



By **Micaela Suitor**  
Staff Reporter

May 11 is not just another ploy for greeting card companies to make a little money; it's Mother's Day, a day to honor mothers for all the hard work and care they have given us.

Mother's Day can be traced back to the ancient Egyptians. The Egyptians held an annual festival to honor the goddess Isis, who was regarded as the "Mother of the Pharaohs."

The Roman root of Mother's Day is the celebration of the Phrygian goddess Cybele or Magna Mater (great mother). The Greeks celebrate Rhea, mother of the Gods.

Many Europeans celebrate Lent and mother church, the church in which they were baptized. Real mothers were later included in the celebration, which led to the name Mothering May.

American celebrations changed all of the previous traditions for a number of different reasons, ending up the wide-spread recognition of Mother's Day.

The U.S. congress approved Mother's Day in 1914 as the second Sunday in May. Mother's Day is celebrated in honor of mothers by

spending time with them, taking them to dinner or buying them flowers or candles. There are also personal gestures made from the heart that many mothers appreciate just as much as formal presents.

Catherine White, freshman health science major from Woodward, says, "I plan on making my mom dinner and buying her flowers, then getting a movie that we both like and can enjoy."

Kayti Arney is going to take a different approach, "I am going to take my mom out to eat at her favorite restaurant, Texas Roadhouse."

May 11 is coming up quickly and it is one of the busiest days of the year for restaurants. Start booking soon!

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## Never a better spring



Never a better time than Spring—music, feasts and festivals. What more could you ask for other than the bright sun that shines on you? This is that time of the year—to rejoice before you stress for the finals. And Southwestern students got what they asked for with a Palooza that was better or bigger, an extraordinary event in a nearby town that left people breathless.

More than a thousand people attending this year's palooza (pictures 1,2,3,6 and 7), and more than 30,000 stormed the tiny town of Mangum for the annual Rattle Snake Derby (Pictures 4 and 5).

The experience was unlike any other. My first rattle snake tasted like chicken strips. I was thinking I would have a hard time swallowing. But I did it, and thought, "Hey! I ate a snake!" I was amazed to see a friend of mine, Cory Kendall, volunteering for a community at the local butcher shop in Mangum where thousands storm everyday to see the rattle snake being cut and learn more about the creature.

It is two weeks until I leave the state. These are moments that will bring me back to the beautiful state of Oklahoma, to a school that is growing to be the most happening place and to a community that works hard to keep its culture alive. You can't beat the wind here, neither can you beat the culture and the hospitality.

**All pictures and article by Bigyan Koirala**







Intramural athletes pose for a picture after the game.

## Intramurals pack up for the season

By Kevin Krows  
Staff Reporter

With finals looming just a few days away the spring intramurals wrapped up the spring season with their respective tournaments.

On the football side of things The Peter North Stars returned to the championship game for the second time in three semesters to face team Blitz Krieg. Blitz Krieg, which had rolled through the playoffs with much ease having mercy ruled both their quarterfinal and semifinal games, was the favorite to win the championship battle. The Peter North Stars were pushed all throughout the tournament winning competitive

battles in all three of their games leading up to the championship game.

The game which was thought to possibly be a high scoring affair was more along the lines of a defensive battle with team Blitz Krieg holding a slight 8-0 lead at halftime. The Peter North Stars had a scoring chance early in the second half to possibly tie the game but the fourth down pass from the five fell incomplete.

Blitz Krieg then capitalized by driving down the field and scored the final points of the game. Final score: 16-0. Congratulations Blitz Krieg.

Coed and men's league softball were scheduled to finish their seasons on Wednesday night but due to weather they are rescheduled until next Tuesday.

## Softball loses game despite heavy battle



Southwestern women's softball in action. (Photo by A'Vel McLamb)

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. – Southwestern Oklahoma State University ended its 2008 softball season with a pair of losses at Northeastern State University by scores of 2-1 and 10-2. The Bulldogs finished the season with a 15-32 mark and were 4-20 in the Lone Star Conference's North Division.

In the first game, Southwestern got a solid pitching effort by Kaci Carpenter but were not able to come up with much offensive help to support her. Carpenter gave up just six hits in six innings of work while allowing two runs.

Southwestern scored its

only run in the top of the seventh when Krystina Steele delivered an RBI single that scored Stacey Cregar.

In the second game, Southwestern dug itself a 5-0 hole after the first inning and were forced to fight from behind the rest of the way. The Bulldogs scored a run each in the third and fifth innings. Southwestern got on the board when Teryn Mazurkewich reached on a single and eventually scored on a fielder's choice.

Mazurkewich did the same in the fifth, reaching on a single and then advanced around the bases before scoring on a fielder's choice by Lacie Keplinger.

## Cameron defeats men at season's end

WEATHERFORD – Southwestern Oklahoma State University's 2008 baseball season came to a close Saturday as the Bulldogs were beaten in a double-header by visiting Cameron University by scores of 15-5 and 9-5. Cameron swept Southwestern thanks to two Aggie victories Friday by scores of 18-16 and 8-1.

Southwestern ended its first season under new coach Scott Selby with a record of 12-36 and placed 11th in the Lone Star Conference with a 10-33 mark. Cameron's season continues as the Aggies were one of six teams that qualified for the LSC postseason tournament. Cameron's record moves to 34-20 overall.

Southwestern's best chance of winning came in the opener Friday as the Bulldogs took a 14-5 lead after three and one-half innings. Southwestern rattled five different Aggie pitchers for 21 hits but were unable to protect a nine-run cushion.

Cameron climbed all the way back taking a 17-16 lead in the sixth off of reliever Adam Phillips who was saddled with his ninth loss in as many decisions.

Mitchel Trimmer was

the offensive hero for the Bulldogs collecting four hits and tying a school record with seven RBI's. Trimmer had plenty of help as teammate Ryan Starzenski had two hits and four RBI's, including three-run homer in the third inning.

Kenny Hare, Bow Buckner and Dakota Streber all had three hits apiece in the game for the Bulldogs.

In Friday's second game, Southwestern's bats were considerably quieter as the Bulldogs managed just two hits and one earned run off Cameron starter Cody Dillon. Dillon went the distance and improved to 5-1 with the win.

In Saturday's first game, Dakota James got the Bulldogs to within three runs with an RBI single in the fifth that trimmed Cameron's advantage to 8-5. The Aggies then forced a run rule by growing their total to a 10-run advantage through seven innings of play.

In the final game, Southwestern had a 5-3 lead through three innings only to see the Aggies again rally. Cameron tied it after four innings at 5-5 and added the winning run and a couple extra with four runs in the next two innings.



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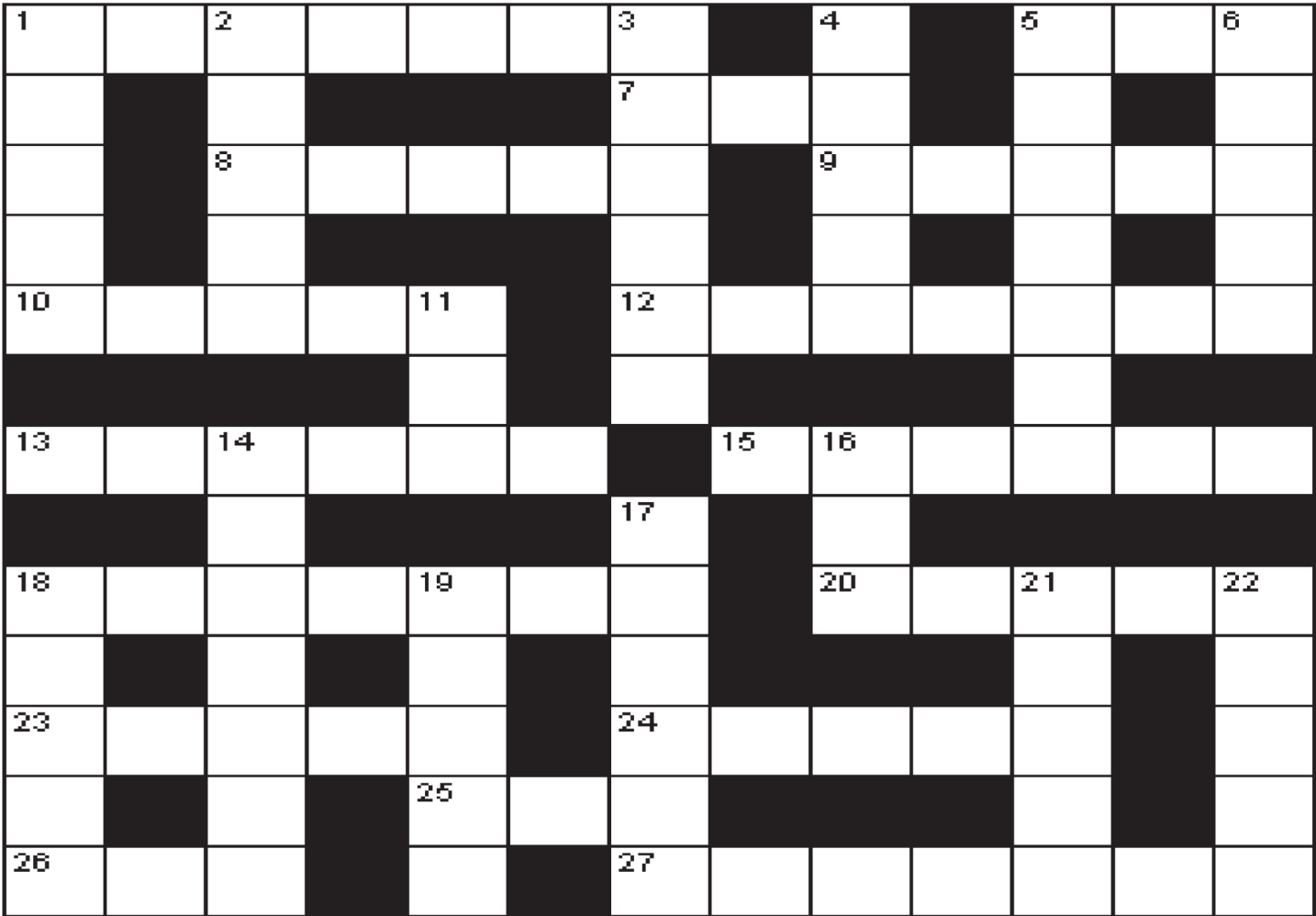
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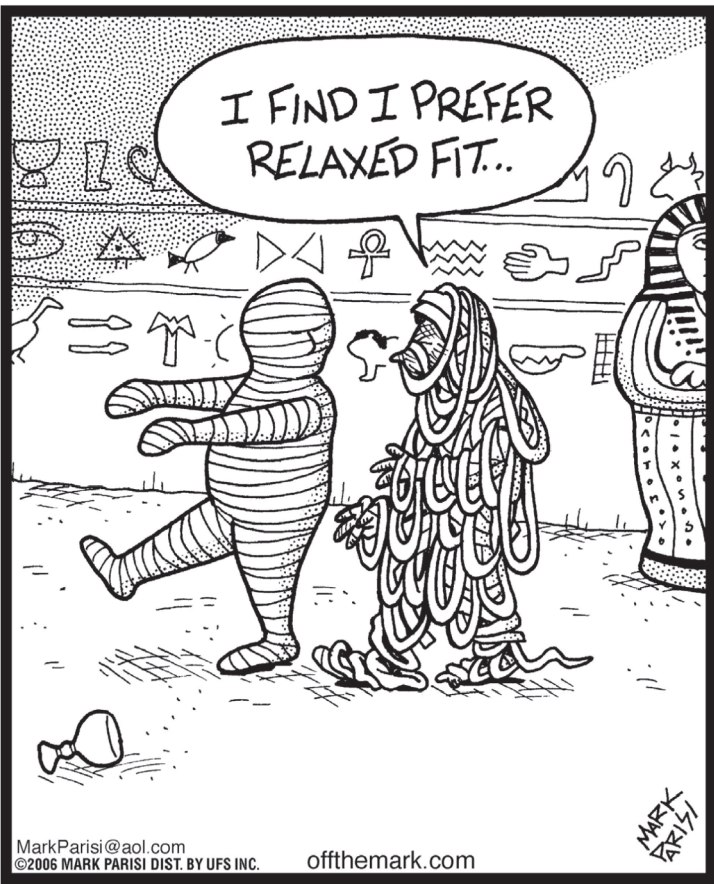
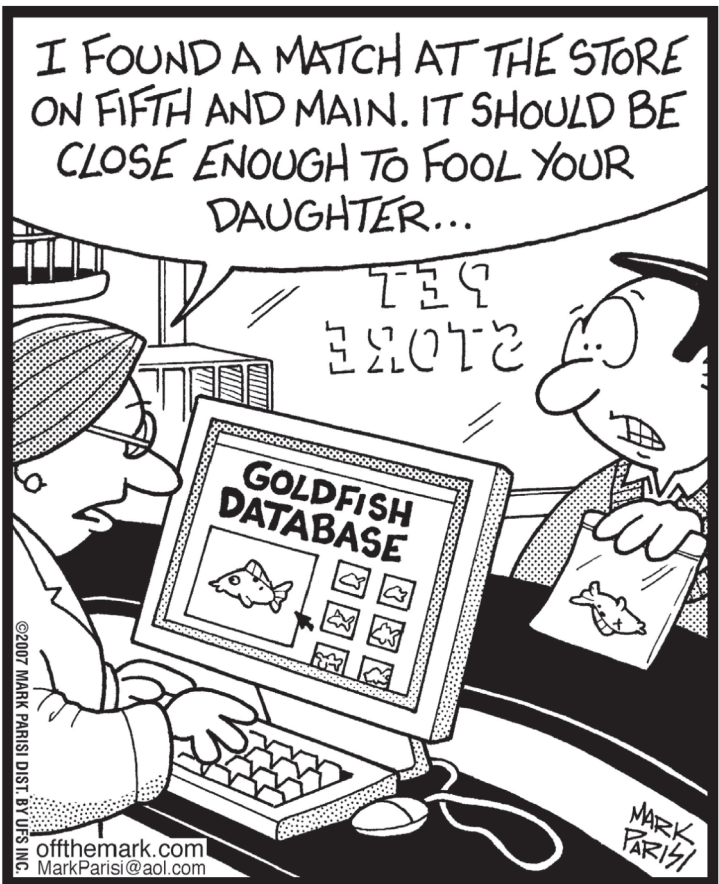
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7. \_\_\_ aboard! (3)
3. Everything in the \_\_\_ is lovely (8)
8. Trial and \_\_\_ (5)
4. \_\_\_ and fauna (5)
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5. Hopped, \_\_\_ and jumped (7)
10. \_\_\_ side up (5)
6. Variation on a \_\_\_ (5)
12. Lead by \_\_\_ (7)
11. \_\_\_ man (3)
13. Hands \_\_\_ the water (6)
14. A raw \_\_\_ (7)
15. One-armed \_\_\_ (6)
16. We \_\_\_ to please (3)
18. Like a well oiled \_\_\_ (7)
17. Pop goes the \_\_\_ (6)
20. Heavy \_\_\_ (5)
18. The real \_\_\_ (5)
23. \_\_\_ and effect (5)
19. Any more bright \_\_\_? (5)
24. A damp \_\_\_ (5)
21. Put your cards on the \_\_\_ (5)
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22. \_\_\_ and Ladies (5)
26. Are we there \_\_\_? (3)
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